

PATENT 2185-0514P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Tatsuo TATENO et al. Conf.: 5720

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For:

PROCESS FOR PRODUCING FATTY ACID ESTERS

AND FUELS COMPRISING FATTY ACID ESTER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

February 20, 2003

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 20, 2003

Thursday

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, the period for response to which having been extended to and including February 28, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A process for producing a fatty acid ester from an oil or fat and an alcohol, wherein the process comprises reacting an oil or fat with an alcohol in the presence of a solid base catalyst comprising at least one component

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